GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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SIMPLIFYING PROCEDURE FOR GRANT TO POOR PATIENTS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to simplify the procedure of providing grant to the poor patients;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) : In order to cut down delay, lump-sum advances have been placed with the under mentioned Government Hospitals and heads of these Hospitals have been authorized to sanction the financial grant to the persons covered under the provisions of the Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi and requiring assistance up to Rs. 50 thousand.

1. All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

2. Post Graduate institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh

3. Safdarjang Hospital, New Delhi.

4. Lady Harding Medical College and Associated Hospitals, New Delhi.

5. Chittaranjan National Cancer institute, Calcutta.

6. National Institute of Mental Health & Neuro Sciences, Bangalore.

7. Central Institute of Psychiatry Ranchi

8. Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Reseach, Lucknow.

9. Gandhi Memorial and Associated hospitals & King George Medical College, Lucknow.

10. Jawahar Lal Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research, Pondicherry and

11. Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi.

Also State Level Illness Assistance Funds have been set up in all the States/UTs except the following States and 'below Poverty Line' residents of such States requiring assistance for t heir treatment are sanctioned upto Rs.1.50 lakhs are sanctioned grant by the respective State Level illness Assistance Fund Societies.

1. Assam

2. Arunachal Pradesh

3. Haryana

4. Meghalaya

5. Nagaland

6. Orissa

7. Punjab

8. Uttar Pradesh and

9. Manipur.

Only in cases where the cost of treatment is more than the delegated limits; the cases need come to the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare where also the administrative machinery has been toned up and wherever the documents (income certificate issued by the respective district revenue authority, attested copy of ration card and estimate in the prescribed form duly signed by the doctor in-charge of the treatment/Head of the Department and Medical Superintendent of the Hospital) are complete, minimal possible time for processing of the application is being taken.